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The fun begins

As Mackenzie Gassien discovered on Tuesday morning at Stuart Baker Elementary School, Junior Kindergarten with Diane Dawson is fun. With smiles and new clothes to show off, it was a day most children – and particularly their parents – look forward to. It was a bittersweet day for parents such as Mrs. Dawson, however, because she had to watch her son Ryan leave home for his first day at university. More back to school photos on page 10.

Strike or job action not ruled out by the high school teachers' union

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

Haliburton County high school teachers were back in the classroom on Tuesday but a strike or job action affecting extra curricular activities may still be on the horizon.

A large majority of the secondary school teachers with the Trillium Lakelands District Schoolboard gave their federation a strike mandate in August, but have not yet given a notice of strike or job action to the school board.

Peter Carroll, local union representative for the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF), says a strike isn't imminent as they are still heading into more discussions with the board.

"The union has a strike mandate and we can give notice of a strike to the board at any time after September 1. So that's always a possibility, but at this point there are no plans to do so. We're still at the negotiation table. We have three sessions of negotiations scheduled for the first part of September and we'll be working towards trying to reach a collective agreement."

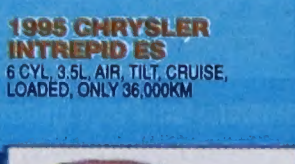
Some teachers' unions have said they may stage work-to-rule campaigns or one-day strikes. Carroll says the OSSTF is not yet considering a job action locally.

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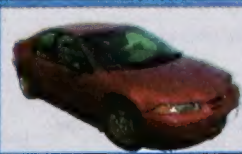
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Short names or big dogs – an amalgamation twist

HERE'S A HUMOUROUS TWIST on the amalgamation story: Rules state that a municipality's full name must be on a dog tag, Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison told the Kushog Lake Property Owners' Association. Since as of January 1, 2000, her municipality will be Stanhope, Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale, she asked members "to make sure you all get large dogs." So how do small dog owners do it in the municipality of Dysart, Dudley, Harcourt, Guilford, Harburn, Bruton, Havelock, Eyre, Clyde and Longford? Its dog tags are stamped Municipality of Dysart et al. Chihuahua owners are breathing a sigh of relief...

This year's Firemen's Games will include a dance on the Saturday night at the Stanhope Firefighters Hall. Volunteer Garth Mole has taken on the organization of the social event. The outdoor dance with the Ya Babies will include a bonfire and all-you-can-eat corn at the firehall on September 16. Proceeds will be split between the historic log chute project, the Yes We Can Build a Swimming Pool in Haliburton County project and the

fire department. The games, which draw volunteer firefighters from across the county in a friendly competition, are on the 17th starting at 10 a.m..

here, there & everywhere

news and events worth noting

Whoopses! We had a call from someone who said we should have realized we had a wrong name with the photo of the former NHLers taking part in the ceremony to retire Ron Stackhouse's and Bernie Nicholls' hockey numbers because, he laughed, "Bob Hodges is a lot better looking than Ron Hogarth." (It was Hodges, a former NHL referee and Highlands resident in the photo, not Hogarth, who was not able to attend as hoped.) As well, in last week's results of the Kash End of Summer Dash, it should have been Sue Shikaze of Haliburton coming in third in the women's 30 to 39 age category

with a time of 0:47:47. And finally, an incorrect number appeared with Anne McKay's article about the war bride reception. If you'd like to get in touch with her about the September 26 function, please call her at 457-2712.

Painters, potters, weavers, glass blowers and sculptors are tucked amidst the beauty of the North Kawarthas. Twenty artists and artisans open their studios and homes to the public on Saturday, September 16th and Sunday, September 17th from 10 am to 5 pm for the Apsley and District Studio Tour. Tour maps are available by e-mail on malamute@sympatico.ca., at www.crosswinds.net/~apsley/index.html or by phoning (705) 656-3860.

Victoria County will be hosting its Studio Tour on two weekends, September 30 and October 1 and October 7 and 8. Hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Visit 11 studios of award-winning artists and their guests as you explore the colourful countryside. For a free brochure call 905-985-2945.

Baragers Funeral Home in Bancroft has received a gold award for exemplary service from the International Order of the Golden Rule, the world's largest professional association of independent funeral homes. Candidates for the gold award are selected on the basis of exceptional praise on OGR's Family Contact response forms, on which the bereaved families are asked to evaluate the services provided to them. As stated in Barager's award-winning response, "they care about people and not just profit."

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"Sometimes I don't know where my ideas come from," Haliburton artist Johannus Boots says. "It has a life of its own."

His studio overlooking a beaver pond on Boughner Road is his own dream come true. With light streaming in from the large picture windows, the artist - who supports his entire family on income earned from sales of his work - can immerse himself in making the scenes in his imagination take shape on canvas, one tiny brush stroke at a time.

Currently he's working on Family Tree, at left, which will be his next limited edition print.

The magic of Johannus Boots

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

IN A JOHANNUS BOOTS painting, it's not uncommon to see a face hovering in a tree - or become the tree itself. Landscapes are inhabited not only with real creatures, but with hidden images of people and animals, symbols of the deep connection between humans and the natural world. A child floats in the air, an opening in the trees behind him becoming his wings.

In a Johannus Boots painting, the magic becomes real.

So it's not surprising that when Boots looks out the large picture window of his second-storey studio and sees the serene expanse of Beaver Valley Pond fill the entire frame, he can only shake his head in wonder and say "it's magic."

"I don't think there are any words for that - it's amazing," he says as he tries to describe how he feels to be able to spend his days with his back to the window and his face to the easel draped in natural sunlight, knowing that all he has to do is turn slightly in his chair to be inspired anew by the scene. "I still pinch myself."

"To find this place, you'd think it was divine intervention," his wife Teresa agrees.

Boots, his wife and their two children feel blessed to call this quiet valley on Boughner Road east of Haliburton village home. They moved here from Buckhorn a year ago, introduced to the area by frequent visits to friends in Eagle Lake. Teresa's three horses graze contently in the pasture the previous owners' might have called the front yard. Twelve-year-old Symon and eight-year-

old Arian have a natural playground right at their front door. And visitors to Boots' studio have a chance to enjoy it all, too.

However, as of this Saturday, you don't need to take a country drive to see his work. Several of his original paintings and some prints will be on display at the Rails' End Gallery in Haliburton, along with work by Christina Luck and Hans-Hartwig Niemann.

Boots, who emigrated from Holland with his parents and brother when he was 10, can't remember a time when he didn't draw or paint.

"His parents say he was born with a lead pencil instead of a silver spoon," Teresa laughs.

Art was always encouraged with the two boys because the talent also flourished with their father, a sculptor (with a non-

artistic day job.) Never were the boys told art could only be a hobby, not a career.

He and his brother opened a storefront business in Bowmanville in 1981, when they'd do anything and everything to keep it afloat - "custom shirts, signs, whatever we could do."

But it soon became apparent that it wasn't enough just having a job that was artistic; he also wanted to be an artist.

"John has always said 'do what you love and the money will follow,'" says Teresa, who grew up with her husband of 13 years when they were in public school in Orono.

Help in reaching his goal of being a full-time artist has come in many forms, but one of the most important was the patronage of Judy Smith of Westmount Gallery in Toronto. She has been in the art business for 30 years

and has built up a strong client base. She'd introduce these clients to Boots' work, and she also lined up some commissioned pieces as well.

For three years, he had an agent who helped him get established in the print world. While this was profitable - some of Boots' limited edition prints sell for \$4,000 in the after market - it was also too stifling, since the agent wanted Boots to paint only those pictures which appealed to the widest audience.

Today, Teresa is his manager, the woman who knows all the ins and outs of a competitive marketplace. "The Internet has been an awesome marketing sale," she says. They've just had their first international sale through www.johannusboots.com.

Yet deciding which offers to accept can still be a struggle. Boots is still quavering on a request from the hugely popular HBO series, *The Sopranos*. The mob-inspired show wants to use one of his paintings in the background of a scene. They won't pay him, but they don't hesitate to point out how such a coup would enhance his exposure to a vast audience. The offer is gratifying, but Boots is not sold on being identified with the show. "The mafia?"

Although attention must be paid to the practical side of being a self-employed artist, Boots has attained the type of freedom many others would envy. He can paint what he wants, and what he wants is, well...

"Sometimes I don't know where my ideas come from," he admits. "It has a life of its own."

A photograph of his mother holding the hand of his five-day-

old daughter became the inspiration for *Heaven on Earth*. Predominant at the right is a tree. Its roots wrap themselves around a newborn baby before enveloping a green and blue globe, while one root becomes an older woman's hand, reaching out to grab the hand of the baby. At the left, in a shaft of light, we see an older woman and a young boy, walking towards their forest, their backs to the viewers. Beneath them is the infinity symbol.

"I always had a great appreciation for native cultures, the understanding for the earth..."

In *Between Worlds*, the foreground of the painting is a brick wall, its core exposed by crumbling bricks and wires to reveal a vast vista, with a herd of ghost-like buffalos rushing towards the viewer. At the right is an elderly native man, arm raised to the sky.

Boots is discomfited in trying to describe what the painting means to him. It's so much a part of him, it's hard to stand back and be objective.

"To me," he says in his soft voice before his thoughts trail off into the painting, "the world's going so fast, we're missing a lot of it. Big business..."

Sometimes he's been asked if he was religious because of all the symbolism in the work. No, it's not quite that. Teresa takes a turn trying to explain. "Your work is so spiritual," she says. "It's in tune with nature."

And nature the Boots family has in abundance thanks to a beaver that created its own little magical kingdom right outside their door.

The show at the Rails' End Gallery runs September 9 to 23.



The original of Natural Law will be part of the Rails End exhibit.

Union expects teachers would respect decisions on job action

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a strike notice to the employer we are not asking our members to undertake job action. Having said that, one has to realise that as teachers are returning to classes most of them are going to, in the course of the year, have to teach an extra class which means that they have to provide educational services for 20, maybe at the highest 35, more students than they did last year. And that is going to mean that they're going to have to make some decisions about how they use their time so they can provide the best possible teaching for their students."

Carroll is careful to note that parents and teachers should not jump to a conclusion as to what the nature of a strike would be, but he expects that all the teachers would follow the union in whatever action they choose.

"At the point at which the union would give strike notice to the board, and as I have said we have no plans to do that at the moment, we would of course be including in that a definition of strike, and I guess we would be expecting our members to then follow the directions of the union in implementing the nature of the strike as defined by the union."

Trillium Lakelands' director of education Evelyn Brown is also unsure what will happen if the teachers go on strike.

"The strike can take a variety of forms should that be, but were certainly hoping that will not be a necessary step that the teachers will take," she says.

She too is hopeful a collective agreement with the teachers can be reached.

"These are ongoing negotiations and optimistically we will reach a settlement that both sides find satisfactory. That's always our goal in the negotiation process."

Teachers across the province saw their contracts expire August 31 and are heading back into classrooms

as new contract negotiations continue.

"I hope the public will appreciate the teachers are returning without a collective agreement," says Carroll, "that they are there doing their best to offer a quality education for their students under an increasing workload and a much more difficult environment in which to work."

The largest stumbling block in negotiations is the Harris government's Bill 74 which redefines teaching time. The law adds a half-course to secondary teachers' workload and forces most high school teachers to spend more time in the classroom for no extra pay. Unions say their members feel overwhelmed by the increased workload which could curtail extra-curricular activities staffed by volunteer teachers.

As well, the legislation includes a section, which has not yet been passed, that would make it mandatory for teachers to supervise extracurricular activities.

"I mean you just have to follow the provincial scene to know that the concern for the teachers still is the additional work required to the .5 class which is part now of the legislation," says Brown. "And the second part is of course the need to have ongoing activities in the school available for the students. And that is certainly a common theme across the province, it's not just isolated here in Trillium Lakelands."

Ontario's Education Minister Janet Ecker has said the province will not step into the middle of the conflict and that the school boards and teachers' unions will have to work out their own differences.

While Carroll won't say exactly what the federation is looking for in the three planned sessions of negotiations, he says the teachers will expect the same kind of deal as teachers should receive across Ontario.

"Clearly we're looking for a collective agreement that will be similar to the collective agreements that will be reached with secondary teachers throughout the province. In other words, we want to see our teachers dealt with as well as teachers are dealt with in other jurisdictions."

Brown says the schoolboard will make every attempt to come up with a satisfactory agreement.

"We have ongoing negotiations, we are hoping that things will be in place for our students over the course of the year and that we'll have a successful school year."

Environmental proponents ask for strict rules in Official Plan

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

The conversation quickly turned to septic systems at the draft official plan meeting in Dysart on August 26. While the plan does have a strong approach on protecting natural environment areas, it doesn't directly address septic systems.

Planner Gary Davidson noted that the issue is not the new septic systems, but the need to bring old ones up to standard. He suggests that through a process of education the old septic systems can be brought up to date and hopefully cleaned on a regular basis, especially that now many are used on a year-round basis.

Many of those who attended the meeting suggested that education simply doesn't work and that there is a need for enforced regulations. As well, it was brought up that it is not the permanent residents who are a worry, but the people who only rent cottages for a short period of time and who, "just don't care".

"I suggest that the best approach is not to regulate but to educate," said Davidson who also mentioned working together with cottage associations on education plans.

Carolynn Coburn, chair of the County's Advisory Committee on the Environment, said if the plan was going to work, education programs need to be improved. She argued that education programs are always stuck with low budgets and need more resources put into them to make them more effective. She also made the point that enforcement of regulations is also expensive.

One of several suggestions received from the crowd included mandatory re inspections of septic systems. Davidson related that some municipalities have a plan in place where every five years property owners have to prove that their septic system has been cleaned out. However, he noted that municipalities and the county don't have a lot of authority unless it is determined that there is a public danger from a faulty septic system.

"You can't put in a law to replace old systems," Davidson told many politicians at the meeting. "Well, you could have it but you won't be re-elected."

Participants in the meeting questioned the need to leave the responsibility for septic systems to the municipalities to deal with it on an individual basis.

Davidson suggested that it is easier to work in a co-operative manner with the individual municipalities rather than tell them what to do and them responding by telling the county to "butt out".

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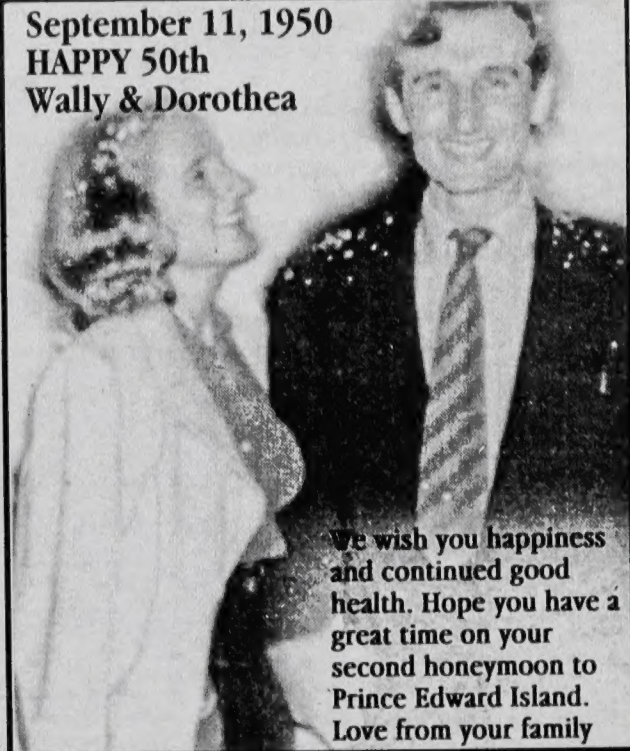
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Board of education ensures that drinking water is safe at schools which rely on wells

Board of education staff will go over and above required procedures to provide clean drinking water for students attending schools which use wells.

At their meeting last week, trustees with the Trillium Lakelands District School Board learned that any school depending on a well for drinking water will be fitted with either a chlorinating or ultraviolet unit to treat the water.

The decision comes after a complete review earlier in the summer of all schools not on municipal water service in order to assess the safety of their wells.

"We didn't find anything to be concerned about," says Jim Bradley, assistant superintendent of business, "but with water safety such a major issue lately, we felt it was important to be as safe as we can possibly be."

Approximately 20 treatment units will be installed in schools around the district, at a cost of about \$1,500 each. The units will be paid for out of the existing maintenance budget.

Staff will continue to test water every two weeks in all schools relying on wells, and will test schools on municipal water at least once a year.

Thank You

I would like to thank the Haliburton Fire Department First Response team, Officer Dan Collings, the ambulance drivers (sorry, I don't know who you are) for assisting me at the scene of my accident on March 13, 2000. Also, to Dr. Stephen Ferracuti and nurse Nancy Roberts for the professional care they provided on the trip to St. Mike's. Thank you to Erin Nicholls, Chad and Tina Bain, Colin Morrison, Fay Stamp, Carol Stamp, Brenda and Crystal Bain, Julie Gray, Doug and Ruth Mitchell, Wilfred VanLieshout, Curtis Reynolds and Dave Laverne for coming to the hospital to support me and my family while I was being stabilized. To Jeff, Christina, and Nicole Black, thank you for your constant visits, love, support and friendship. The days were easier when you were there. Also, to Steve McCracken for the same. Thank you to Brian and Dorothy Black for being there to support my parents when they needed you the most. Your family have always been our best friends. Thank you to all my family, friends, and people of the community who sent me cards, gifts, phone calls and visits. I was overwhelmed by the support. Thank you to my brother Jeff who flew in from Atlanta to stand at my bedside for two weeks. You were a rock who wouldn't let me give in. I admire your strength. Thank you to Dr. Robert Heyes for allowing me to come home for a couple of weekends before I was home to stay. The visits improved my mood and gave me the strength to stay at St. John's a little longer. Thanks to Mark Stamp for understanding, inspiration, protection and a big shoulder to lean on. I am always more comfortable when you're around. Thank you to Dr. Joseph Pelino, a true friend who continues to amaze me with his brilliance. I have placed a large part of my life in your hands Joe, but I know you were given those big paws for a reason. And, to Wendy Hill, the driving force behind my recovery. Some days I wonder if I will ever reach my goals, but your sense of humour, caring smile and torture keeps me focused on the prize. And, finally, to my parents Derrell and Kim. I can't imagine what you went through. Thank you for your visits, phone calls, gifts (especially the food!), love, support, help around the house, kicking me out of bed in the morning, and rides to physio and the pool. But, most of all thank you for your strength. The battle is half over and I know you will be there in the end. Life has a funny way of teaching you how to find strength and courage you thought you didn't have. I have found mine and I'm starting to like what I see. For a very long time I could never see the light. Thank you for taking me there.

Greg Stamp

CROSSBOWS AND BILL C-68

As of June 11, 1999 the Canadian Firearms Centre sent out a bulletin reminding everyone of the following:

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Some of you have noted that on the forms for your FAC printed June 17, 1998 has the following clause:

You do not need any kind of license to possess cross-bows that you already owned on October 1, 1998. However, you do need a Possession and Acquisition License if you want to acquire more cross-bows.

This has been overruled by the bulletin of June 11, 1999, stating that all crossbow legislation is on hold until further notice.



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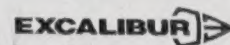
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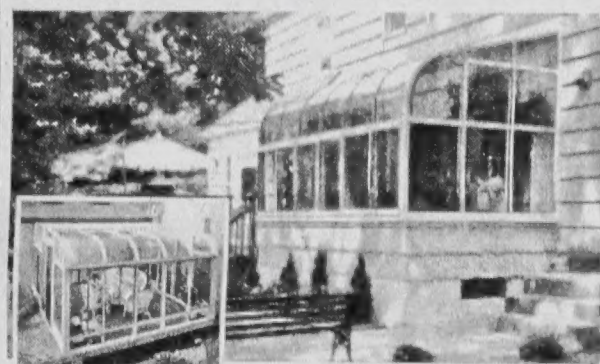
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County council briefs

County won't give monetary donations to non-profit groups

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the August 23 county council meeting.

Warden Jeanne Anthon welcomed Bill Rice to his first meeting as the county's interim CAO.

Rice, a Sudbury consultant with many years of experience in municipal government, will work at the county office two or three days a week. He will handle administrative duties and help the county with its search for a full-time CAO to replace Les Shepherd, who recently accepted a job in the Kingston area.

"He's already proving most effective during this adjustment," Anthon said.

Donation policy

Often, people ask to be put on council's agenda so they can ask for a financial contribution to their group or project. Council then sits through the presentation, knowing it does not usually provide grants.

Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison felt this was unfair to the delegations, who usually put a lot of time and effort into their presentation without

knowing they have little chance of being rewarded.

Her request for the county's first donation policy was listened to, and on Wednesday, council voted that except for groups that came under the county's or municipalities' purview, it would not provide monetary grants to non-profit or charitable organizations.

It is felt such donations are best left to individuals, not a political body.

"County council does not consider donations to non-profit and charitable organizations to be an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars," the policy states.

The policy does not preclude other types of donations.

Roads

The roads department's construction budget is on target, with work still progressing on McGillivray Road and County Road 2.

When, during a discussion of winter maintenance agreements between municipalities and the county, Lutterworth Reeve Jim McMahon said it wasn't known how many men will have jobs after amalgamation, Monmouth Reeve Keith Tallman said no roads workers will lose their jobs. "You can't do it with fewer men," Tallman said.

Hyland Crest

Foster Loucks, the executive director of Haliburton Highlands Health Services, which will be taking over ownership of Hyland Crest, has had a chance to begin meeting with staff at the seniors home which is currently owned by the county.

Joint meetings between the HHHS and Hyland Crest are also ongoing.

Ambulance

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said the transfer of ambulance services from the Ministry of Health to the county may be delayed a month. The Ontario Realty Corporation says the rent at the Haliburton ambulance base is higher than the market value. The county is hoping for a reduction in rent to market value.

Health unit

Fearrey asked the county's representative on the health unit's board, Keith Tallman, to pass on concerns that restaurants weren't being tested in the summer because staff did not have the time.

"There is some concern over who gets inspected, who doesn't," Tallman agreed.

Police believe local residents may have been victims of an insurance fraud scheme

A Stouffville-area life insurance agent who has been charged with defrauding four people, is believed to have had clients in Haliburton County, the Haliburton Highlands OPP says.

Police say two Highlands victims have come forward since four charges of fraud were laid against the life insurance agent.

He was first charged with defrauding two older people of a total of \$1.7-million and then subsequent charges were laid accusing him of defrauding two other people of \$200,000.

Police say the 44-year-man convinced the clients to invest in various funds held by Canada Life and Industrial Alliance Life. The cheques were written out but the monies were never received by the insurance companies.

Police say clients would receive statements provided by the agent, not the company.

In last Thursday's *Toronto Star*, a story says the man got many of his contacts with clients through his church, Springfield Baptist Church.

"When they say someone is a good Christian, it's like a seal of approval," says Dr. Boadway, whose parents invested about \$150,000 with the agent.

The article says the agent has not had a licence to sell insurance products since 1998.

Anyone who has had dealings with David Blow, who operated out of an office in Stouffville with the name Mortgage Financial Corp. is asked to contact the OPP at 286-1431.

Flying engine debris injures man

A man suffered serious injury as a result of an accident at the Truck and Tractor Pull at the Kinmount Fair on Friday.

The Kawartha OPP says Larry Swailes and his wife Debra were standing at the guard rails watching the pull when a truck in the process of pulling a sled had its transmission explode, sending engine debris flying.

Larry Swailes was struck in the head by a large bolt and

was knocked unconscious. The 47-year-old Beaverton resident was transported to Minden hospital and then airlifted to Sunnybrook in Toronto. He was discharged on Saturday after overnight observation.

Debra Swailes, 47, also received minor injuries.

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Stephen McCall was driving a tanker truck filled with gasoline on Hwy 121 near Essonville Line a year ago when he swerved to miss a bear. The tanker went off the road and burst into flames. McCall was lucky to escape the inferno but he almost died from his wounds and is still recovering.

Tanker truck driver helps other burn victims while recovering from his own injuries

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Having survived the terror of being nearly fatally burned, Stephen McCall is trying to raise money to send young burn victims to camp.

McCall, the 34-year-old Omemee man whose tanker truck went into the ditch near Essonville Line last August and burst into flames, sending spumes of dense, black smoke into the Highlands for hours, told his local newspaper "I know what I went through... I can't imagine a kid going through the same thing."

Although he was able to extract himself from his burning rig, he still suffered third-degree burns from his hands to shoulders, and second-degree burns to his back.

He spent months in a hospital burn unit, where he almost died a couple of times. Recovery was made more complicated because of the damage done to his throat

and lungs.

"We're lucky to have him," his mother Lynda says.

A year after the ordeal, McCall suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder. He has flashbacks and can have the horrors of the accident return to him by seemingly innocent things, such as candles on a birthday cake.

"Opening an oven door is a no-no," his mother says.

Surgery is ongoing as his body and skin continue to heal. He wears special gloves and armbands and is getting accustomed to people staring at his scars.

Knowing how important it is for burn victims to have as normal a life as possible, McCall felt compelled to raise money to help send young people like the ones he met in hospital to camp. Hoping to raise \$500, enough for one child for one week, he was immensely gratified when a commu-

nity dance raised \$5,000.

He has not yet decided whether to continue his efforts to send even more kids to camp next year.

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Taking out the garbage

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Yet on one of your many trips to town, you're not allowed to stop off at the Haliburton landfill with your garbage. Instead, every time you need to take out the garbage, you must head west and make the 20-minute drive to Minden, or perhaps Ingoldsby.

It doesn't make sense.

In the past, Dysart et al allowed Soyers Lake ratepayers - who technically live or cottage in Anson, Hindon and Minden - to pay \$25 to get a card allowing them to dump their garbage at the Haliburton landfill. Everyone

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was happy - Soyers Lake people got the convenience they wanted and Dysart got the controls they needed.

But then someone in the Ministry of Environment office in Peterborough read a story in The Echo about a similar arrangement between Glamorgan and Snowdon. (Thanks to an annual fee Glamorgan paid to Snowdon, Glamorgan's Salerno Lake cottagers were able to drop off their garbage at the Snowdon landfill on their way back to the city instead of having to double back to the dump on the other side of Gooderham and then pass their cottage as they were finally, smell-free, able to make the trek home.)

That's a no-no, the Ministry official said in a letter which caused consternation at municipal offices throughout the county.

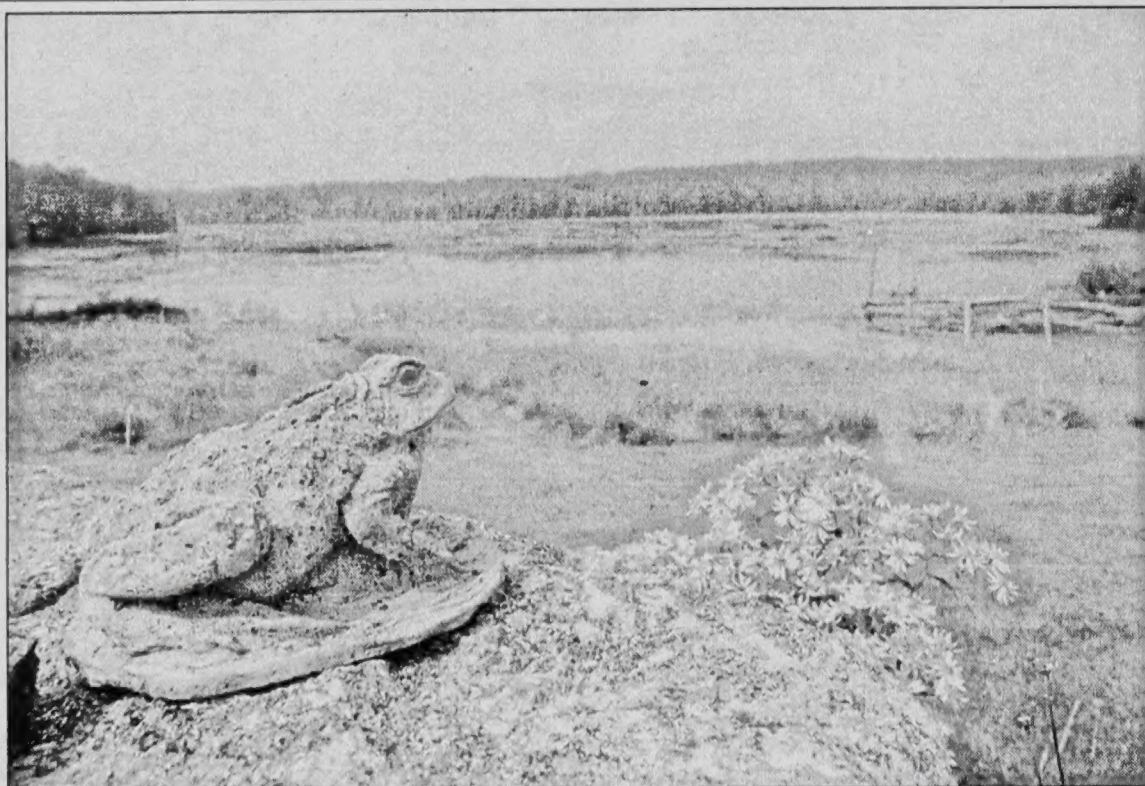
When the Ministry gives a municipality a Certificate of Approval for the operation of landfills, that C of A is for a recognized geographic boundary, and therefore identified population base. The C of As presently in effect do not allow for people who reside or cottage outside that geographic boundary to use the facility. If municipalities such as Dysart want to make it possible for, let's say, some ratepayers in Anson, Hindon and Minden, to use their landfill, then the C of A must be changed accordingly.

While councils are willing to have people other than their ratepayers to use their landfill - in a controlled fashion, of course - they are loathe to "re-open" the certificates. Maybe some of the rules have changed since the C of A was drafted, and those new and potentially costly rules will have to become part of the new C of A. It simply isn't worth the risk.

And so, in countless situations across the Highlands, people have to waste gas and their time driving to their own municipality's landfill.

While the Ministry of Environment is to be applauded for taking its responsibilities so seriously, surely some concessions could be made for rural areas such as Haliburton County. After all, unlike our urban brethren, we don't naturally assume the municipality will come to our front yard and take our garbage to the dump for us. How can you have curbside garbage pick-up in a county without curbs? Instead, people here don't begrudge the weekly task of loading up the car and driving to the dump, making the tour of the facility as we correctly place the right type of garbage in the right area. We're such good Canadians.

Making the rules less stringent would not mean placing a too heavy burden on our landfills. The same amount of garbage would be generated in Haliburton County no matter where inside the county people dumped it. But it would be a nice gesture to make it easier for people to fulfill their civic obligations - and think of the reduced pollution from all that gas people no longer have to burn driving to the dump at the other end of their municipality.



A Beaver Valley Pond view

by Martha Perkins/Echo

Public education for all?

If there is one thing that all residents of Ontario are in agreement about it's that public education has serious problems. Whether we are professional educators, elected functionaries, parents, past parents, employers, or just observers, everyone has complaints.

A hundred or so years ago, the idea that education was not just for the wealthy but for every child was a shining concept. Education at that time was equated with becoming knowledgeable in the three "R's." My grandmother, one of the eldest of a large family farming near Lakefield, could only stay in school through Grade 4 for she was needed at home. But the grounding was solid and when I knew her, to my young eyes so very old, she read, wrote, and spoke English quite properly and managed her own business accounting. My mother, next generation, left school after what we now call Grade 10 so that she could concentrate on her budding piano career. She too was well versed in the reading, writing, and 'rithmetic.

How did we manage to take that seemingly simple idea of public education and turn it into the focus of our collective ire? Well, that so-called "public" system was flawed to start with, being only partially public - only for those with minds that could easily grasp the concentrated study of the basics. It was also paternalistic - the educators decreed and the parents and pupils acquiesced, and in that world educators, though highly respected, were terribly underpaid.

Beginning in the '50s, accelerating in the '60s, and roaring through the '70s and '80s, we, the people of Ontario, attacked those flaws with a vengeance. We all must accept some blame if today we have what we thought we wanted and it's unmanageable.

We began by asserting our rights in a democratic society to have a more significant voice in the educating of our young, making the word "public" more inclusive, and establishing greater remuneration for our educators. The parents of the late '50s and the '60s became more involved.

Increasingly parents proposed and educators disposed. Many involved parents and educators apparently had unpleasant memories of their own school years with poetry to memorize, grammar rules to apply, arithmetic tables to learn by rote, and province-wide examinations compulsory. These shakers and movers proceeded to relax the required standards and make school more "fun." We, the rest of the populace, either acquiesced or remained neutral or, if financially able, sent our children to private schools.

But public education for all was still a concept that was not all encompassing. Those with children outside the "norm," either intellectually gifted, or artistically motivated, or technically facile, or mentally or physically challenged, sought inclusion. In a system that now was attempting to cater to the wishes of all the parents it seemed necessary to accommodate these children.

Educators, highly respected but poorly paid, began to agitate for a fairer distribution of public funds because, without question, their services were key. They organized and their union leaders continued to bargain hard over a period of many years to obtain benefits now envied by many of their compatriots.

Then beginning in the '90s the edifice we had constructed began to crumble. John Q. Public, through the ballet box, began to demand "more bang for our bucks." Teachers began pleading to make their workload more reasonable - the mandate had become too broad. Parents began responding in ever increasing numbers by taking their children out of the public schools and teaching them at home. Thus the "public" concept of basic education for all children started to erode.

Each change individually that society has made over a span of nearly 50 years has been well-intentioned. What we, over time, have incrementally been asking is that public education be all things to all the participants - students, teachers, taxpayers. What we now have is a system that seems less and less able to satisfy anyone.



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And the seasons, they go round and round

It seemed like only yesterday that the kids were shedding their backpacks for bathing suits and a whole glorious summer stretched before us. Now here we are at the start of a new school year and everyone is asking, "Where did the summer go?"

The other night at dinner, we were all talking about which season is our favourite. Dad said he always looks forward to the next season from the one we're in because it is something new. Max said he loves winter because of the skiing. Siobhan loves spring because everything is so fresh and green. Sophie likes fall because the colours are so beautiful. Although our opinions differed on what our favourite was, we all agreed that we love summer.

I think summer is the only season that people are so sad to see end. I never hear people saying that the winter was way too short and that we really need another week or two. I don't know that summer itself is necessarily shorter than any other season. I think that we just love all that comes with summer so much that we feel like we want it to go on forever. Longer days, sleeping in, playing outside, not feeling quite so hurried as we may usually feel, all of these things plus so much more, contribute to our love of summer.



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I find that those first couple of weeks after school ends are spent getting into the mode of relaxing and not having to be ready when the bell rings. By mid-July, we are a quite nicely into the routine of not having a routine. Then comes the long weekend in August and everything shifts very subtly. There is a bit of a panic in the air that there is only one more month before school starts. Somehow there is an acceleration of activity that borders on frantic. It is almost as though we fear there is only one more month left of life as we know it. All too soon, it is the Labour Day Weekend and poof, another summer is gone like the sultry breezes that went with it.

This summer was a little crazy for us. With an air show at the end of July being a major focus for my husband, all hands were on deck helping him to get ready. Max had his first taste of a summer job and although he didn't complain, I think he enjoyed the pay more than the work. By the time they were ready and pulled out of town, it was almost the end of July and I felt like we hadn't really had any summer time fun yet. Once they arrived home, we had to re-integrate them into family life, which took some time as well.

I was starting to get that anxious feeling that summer was slipping away. Sure the kids had been busy with friends and lots of swimming and doing what kids do and they were having lots of fun. We had had a fair bit of company and visiting and many laughs with friends. There was never a lack of things to do but I was feeling like something was missing and I couldn't quite put my finger on it.

Then it happened. Our whole family took a week together and went to play and relax at my sister's cottage. Luckily for us, it was last week and coincidentally, the hottest week of the summer. We swam, we played games, we ate, we read, we got back-to-school stuff, we celebrated birthdays, we sailed (well some of us!), we did all of things you're supposed to do in the summer, and we were able to do it together as a family. Even though the summer up to that point had been a little mixed up and hectic, as I lay on my back floating in the water listening to the kids laugh with their dad, I silently offered up a big thank you. This, I thought, is what it is all about. It isn't the weather, it isn't what we're doing, it isn't how long we have to do it. It is that we are all together, enjoying each other and just being. At that moment, I was so perfectly content, happy and grateful. What a wonderful way to spend the last week of summer.

As the books are now filled with fresh paper, the pencils are sharpened and the lunch bags unearthed for another year, we are all feeling a little nervous and excited at what the next month will bring. I'm sure there will be some tears, a little angst, many laughs and lots of lessons learned. It will take some time to get back into the routine and I know that even though bedtimes will be difficult to get used to, we are all ready for them. But whatever happens, we're rested and ready after our one perfect week of summer vacation.



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pic of the past

Bearing a three-cent stamp, this week's Pic of the Past is a postcard sent to Cleveland in September, 1947 from an Ina and Bill, who write, part: "Dear Mollie, We are on vacation as you can see and this is one place without hayfever. Been playing golf, the first in years." Our thanks to Paul Cowen of Haliburton for sharing it with us.

letters to the editor

"Eco Waste" - Our Olympic Stadium?

To the Editor:

Residents and cottagers may recall, not too long ago, when garbage was burned (excuse me - oxidized) at the Haliburton landfill. On a calm evening this toxic "soup" was appreciated (inhaled) as one drove by on County Road 121.

It is realized the proposed Eco Waste System does not incinerate material in the crude fashion undertaken by our predecessors; however, when burning occurs the atmosphere is ultimately used as a garbage dump. The town of Haliburton will lie downwind of the resulting effluent.

There is not ideal remedy to our local waste management situation. Granted, burying waste has its shortcomings, both financial and ecological, but often the simplest techniques are preferred. The status quo at least tends to localize environmental impact.

One failing of humankind has been to view "technology" as a cure-all to many perceived problems. At present, representatives of various waste management companies are selling the virtues of their respective solutions. No doubt, at one time products such as thalidomide,

DDT, as well as nuclear generated power, were promoted by their respective salespeople. This was undertaken with an absence of malice but also with a great deal of ignorance. Remember, we are taught history in our schools for a reason - so as not to repeat the mistakes of the past.

The effort local government has placed towards becoming informed about Eco Waste is appreciated, municipal politicians - be satisfied with all the

tough decisions you have made to improve the quality of life of your constituents. Please don't spoil this by viewing this "techno-fix" as a preferred choice. Don't allow Eco Waste to be your political legacy - your Olympic Stadium.

P.S. "Eco Waste" - consider a name change for there is no "true" waste in an ecosystem.

Michael Irwin,
Lake Kashagawigamog

Injured trucker on road to recovery

To the Editor:

It is just a few days short of a year since my son was badly hurt in a gasoline tanker accident on Highway 121. His name is Stephen McCall.

I thought you and your readers would be interested to know that Stephen is well on the road to recovery.

As you may recall, Stephen was air-lifted to Hamilton General Hospital and stayed until his release on Thanksgiving weekend. He was unconscious for more than 30 days. During this time, he was in the Burn Unit and wonderfully cared for by a host of doctors and nurses. It was a very difficult time for him as he nearly succumbed to his injuries on several occasions.

Today I am glad to report that Stephen is able to care for himself and looking forward to being able to return to the work force in the next year.

See **Family** page 11

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur





Back to school

Is Madison Barton, at right, apprehensive about her first day of Grade 1 at Stuart Baker Elementary School, or is she just feeling the chill of the early morning air? Heidi Burk was quite definite about her feelings, but her mom Laurie was there to see her through, at left. Below left, Janice Benoit welcomes students en français to the county's first French Immersion class while Alison Perecko guides a newcomer to class

Photos by
Martha Perkins



Government the villains in the current education crisis

To the Editor:

After reading the editorial in the August 22 *Echo* and the lead editorial in the *Toronto Star*, I have to conclude that, if anybody deserves a cream pie in the face, it is Education Minister Janet Echer. Ever since John Snobelen made his (in)famous "create a crisis" video, Ontario education has been just that. Our education system needed a tune-up not total destruction. Bills 160 and 74 sound like dear old Russia at the height of the Communist years, not our Ontario.

I was lucky to teach when Bill Davis, John Robarts and Sean Conway were our Ministers of Education. Those times look like Valhalla when compared to the

threats of Bill 74 regulating every waking hour of a teacher's life, in class or not.

It would be a real bonus if the government were to spend its advertising budget on text books rather than propaganda. Ecker's requirement that teachers be tested is totally ridiculous. Everyone knows that there are a few crummy teachers but they have been smart enough to fool their principals et al so they will have no trouble fooling Janet and her tests. Students are the best testers a teacher has. They can spot a phony in two or three classes.,

MPP Chris Hodgson's latest report from Queen's Park outlines all the hard work he has done for our riding but there is no mention of even a nickel for

education.

I sincerely hope that Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation (OSSTF) does not call strikes anywhere but, if they do, my heart will be with the kids out of class, the teachers on the picket line, and

the board who can do nothing about the Draconian regulations from Mike and his gang.

Bill Valentine,
Moore's Falls

Family appreciates support for injured trucker

from page 9

He is a very fortunate young man and he is still with us today in no small part because of the prayers and concern of all those people who were "pulling" for him. We thank all the men and women who were on the scene of the accident, the fire department, hospital staff in Haliburton and the OPP. Our family also appreciated the telephone calls for your newspaper.

Once again, our heartfelt thanks and appreciation. God bless you all.

Lynda J. McCall,
Omemee

Thanks for supporting 30 hour famine effort

To the Editor:

As president of World Vision Canada, I would like to thank the 30-Hour Famine participants and organizers in Haliburton for their valuable contribution to the most successful Canadian 30-Hour Famine ever! The annual event has exceeded this year's goal of \$3.5-million. To date, more than \$3.8-million is being used to help need children in developing countries.

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On behalf of the children whose futures are brighter because of your efforts, I want to thank Haliburton and surrounding area. Your students can be very proud of their efforts.

Dave Toycen, President,
World Vision Canada

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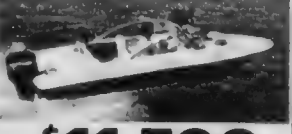
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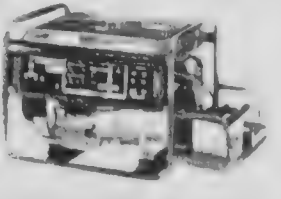
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Veteran, rookie vie for reeve position

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

At a recent meet-the-candidates event in Stanhope, support for Eleanor Harrison must have at times seemed overwhelming to Cheryl Mansell, a newcomer to local politics who will be taking on the veteran politician in the reeve's race in the soon-to-be amalgamated municipality of Sherborne, Stanhope et al.

Not only was Harrison endorsed by the other politicians present at the Kushog Lake Property Owners' Association meeting at Club 35, but the association's president also distanced herself from a published photograph that may have seemed like an endorsement.

"I think you're misguided to parachute in as reeve," Councillor Jim Hicks told Mansell, a cottager who has no previous experience in municipal politics in Haliburton County or elsewhere.

Hicks, who's running for re-election as a Stanhope ward councillor, said "we need a reeve in the township who's readily available; we need Eleanor's experience."

Hicks said Tom Gardner, another councillor running for one of the two Stanhope ward seats, supported Harrison's bid.

Deputy-reeve Murray Daniels, who is retiring from politics, stressed the need for Harrison's experience and residency in the county, especially as Stanhope and Sherborne et al are in the midst of a lengthy amalgamation process.

He asked Mansell how often she was up in the winter and she said she usually made it up once a week from her home in Richmond Hill.

"I'm a committed person," Mansell said. "If I commit to being reeve, I'll be committed to the job. My work time is flexible. Residency should not be an issue."

Kushog president Norma Goodger asked Mansell why she was entering politics by running for reeve instead of a Stanhope ward councillor. Mansell replied, "being reeve, I'd like to represent everyone at the county."

Asked if she's attended any council or transition board meetings, Mansell said she hadn't. (As part of her platform, Mansell said the municipality should have a web page allowing people easy access to such things as by-laws and council minutes. She said if people didn't read the local papers it would be hard to know what was going on.)

Earlier in the meeting, Goodger read



ERIK MARTENSSON/ECHO

Incumbent reeve Eleanor Harrison, left, listens as reeve candidate Cheryl Mansell answers a question from the audience at a recent public meeting in Stanhope

from a prepared speech which referred to an article and photo published in The Minden Times earlier this summer. The picture showed Mansell, Boshkung Lake President Pat Lowery (who is supporting Mansell's bid) and Goodger alongside an article with the headline "Pro-active approach adopted by lake associations."

"To set the record straight," Goodger said, "if this picture suggests that I or this association supports Cheryl in this election, that was not at all my intention. We hope to interview all the candidates and send out a mini-newsletter to our members in the fall; please let the views and responses of the candidates inform your voting decisions."

"On a similar note," she continued, "the Times article, while correctly reporting the issues which Pat and I discussed, may have given the impression that our lake associations are joining together to lobby the various levels of government."

"The issues of water quality and shoreline development are of great concern to waterfront property owners. But 'together we stand, divided we fall,' to quote the first line of the article, is not an attitude which I, as president of this association,

endorse.

"Over the 15 years of the Kushog Lake Property Owners Association, we have worked hand-in-hand with local and provincial governments to safeguard our precious lake. In addition, we have been very fortunate over the past few years to have Christine McCartney attending Stanhope council meetings. Her presence has reinforced and enhanced our relationship with council, and in particular, Reeve Eleanor Harrison..."

"Preserving our lake environment is of utmost importance to all of us, permanent and season, cottagers and residents; we must work together in a spirit of co-operation and mutual respect."

In her comments on activities at Stanhope council over the past year, McCartney, a cottager turned permanent resident, praised council and staff. They are diligent protectors of taxpayers' money and welcome an open exchange of ideas, she said. The association's relationship with council is based on mutual respect, she said, and council has always been very open to addressing the association's concerns.

"To sum up," McCartney said, "our

working relationship with Stanhope is, in my view, as it should be – not adversarial in any way, but effective in that we understand our respective roles. There is trust and goodwill and I sincerely hope that we do not lose any of this as the upcoming election occurs and the new, amalgamated municipality evolves."

In her campaign speech, Harrison stressed her 12 years of experience at the municipal and county level.

"When you're reeve, it takes an awful lot of time," she said. "In the next three years (as the two municipalities' by-laws and governance are merged) it will be more like a full-time job."

"Meetings are way too important to miss. You can't catch up later, you have to be there. Your time is not your own. You're committed to the wellbeing of an entire community."

She noted that with amalgamation, county council will drop to eight members, down from its present 10 (which used to be 17.) "I shudder to think if half of the new council are new faces – there's too much going on."

"The list (of meetings) is never-ending. Is it a job a part-time reeve can handle? That's why I'm thinking of retiring from work (as a bookkeeper at Carnarvon Lumber.)"

When later Harrison said she was retiring, Pat Lowery of the Boshkung association asked her to clarify her intentions. "Which is it," Lowery asked.

"If I lose the election I may stay on for another year," Harrison said, "but I'm willing to retire."

In Mansell's speech, the 11-year cottager said that her job as a part-time senior law clerk, specializing in real estate, in Richmond Hill gave her the flexibility to be reeve. At home, she's very involved with professional and charity organizations, such as Juvenile Diabetes.

"I'm a community oriented person," she said. "I have a great background in dealing with all sorts of issues."

Noting that amalgamation means two distinct communities have to be brought together, Mansell said "I have great skills and great ways of bring people together."

She referred to her familiarity through work with Toronto's amalgamation process. "It's not an easy process."

She urged people to get involved with local issues and to exercise their vote, adding she'd be honoured and proud to serve as reeve.



County of Haliburton Draft Official Plan

DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS
September 15th, 2000

The DRAFT County Official Plan has been presented at four public meetings throughout the County and is available for review by the public.

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Written comments are to be submitted to the County Office no later than September 15th, 2000 to the attention of Tamara Williams (705-286-1333 or email twilbee@county.haliburton.on.ca). To ensure that all input is directed in the most effective manner, it is asked that comments be submitted in written form (includes emails and faxes) with the writer's name and address clearly identified.

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Roads a priority at Kushog

Lake Association praised for its work on numbering system

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

The following are brief reports from the Kushog Lake Property Owners' Association annual general meeting held recently at Club 35, with approximately 60 members in attendance.

Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison, who sits on the county's road committee, said she had been lobbying hard on behalf of the association. The county is sometimes hesitant to spend money on upgrading the West Kushog Lake Road because it says it never should have been made a county road, she said, but she argues that isn't an excuse for procrastinating on improvements.

In this year's county roads budget, \$100,000 will be spent on the road, with \$150,000 in 2001 and \$150,000 in 2002.

Meanwhile, the lake's numbering system isn't compatible with distance-based system to be used under 9-1-1. New numbers will be issued by the county once the process is nearing completion. The association was praised for its recent efforts in numbering all properties, and was told the work won't be in vain since it will speed up 9-1-1 mapping.

The advantage with the county's system is that it gives emergency personnel an idea of how far down the road a property is.

Municipal notes

Harrison said the cost of running the municipality has increased. Amalgamation with Sherborne et al is expected to cost Stanhope \$51,000 this year. The total cost over three years is \$403,000, but it's hoped amalgamation will save \$158,000 a year. An 80-acre parcel next to the Maple Lake landfill was purchased for \$40,000 and \$60,000 was spent on Buckslides Road. Mail-in voting costs 50% more than the traditional method but council felt it would be worth it if voter response increased. Voter turnout in the

past has been 12 to 15%, and council is hoping to get a 35% response with mail-in voting.

Voting

It is extremely important to read the instructions that will accompany the mail-in ballots, Harrison said. Canada Post will mail the election package October 19. "Do something with it immediately," she said, because although election day is November 13, the post office will be closed because of Remembrance Day. The municipality's last check-in at the post office will therefore be by November 10.

Ballots can easily be spoiled by doing such things as putting two ballots in one return envelope, so she urged people to strictly follow the detailed but simple instructions.

(Property owners should already have been notified that their on the voters' list; if not, check with your municipal office.)

President's report

Norma Goodger said "some of our directors have been doing a little soul-searching about the role of this association. For the past few years, we have existed mainly as a reactive organization, ready to respond to issues when needed. Our database is up-to-date and we have money in the bank should legal action be necessary.

"To undertake a more pro-active approach, we need dedicated volunteers, people like Anu Lellup who had an interest in mapping the lake and made the time to do it. Trent University owns property on the lake and has volunteered students in their bio-regionalism program to undertake studies, but this requires organization.

"I am making it my personal goal to move this association forward, and I urge you to do your own soul-searching and get involved."

Water testing

Secchi disc testing, which measures lake clarity, has not been done as extensively as it has in the past, something the association hopes to rectify. This is particularly important because of Boshkung Lake's concerns about the water that is flowing from Kushog into Boshkung.

A glimpse at the schedule of Stanhope's reeve

At a recent Kushog Lake ratepayers' association meeting, Stanhope Reeve Eleanor Harrison talked about the time commitment required to be a reeve.

Later asked to look at her date book for this past summer to add up how much time she's spent at meetings, she said "there are three full day meetings per month, sometimes four, and an average of seven part-day evening meetings. It's about 60 to 65 hours per month. That doesn't count the Saturday morning cottage association meetings or some of the social functions you're expected to attend. And sometimes I go to the township office for an hour and a half or anywhere up to three hours to sign things.

"And I'm trying to work a 40-hour week," says Harrison, who's a bookkeeper at Carnarvon Lumber, where she can be flexible with her hours because the owners know she'll get the job done.

Here's an example of some of her weeks:

July 24

Community police meeting in Stanhope, filling in for the deputy-reeve who wasn't able to attend, 1 p.m.

July 25

County council in Minden, full day

July 26

Opening of Heatline near the Stanhope Airport at 10 a.m.

Human resources meeting at Stanhope for transition board, 1 to 4 p.m.

Council committee meeting, from 7 to 9

July 27, meeting with CAO to discuss human resources issues

During the week of the Kushog meeting, she was at the municipal office every second day because the CAO was on holiday

August 22

Personnel interviews at Stanhope, 6 to 8 p.m.

August 23

County council in Minden, all day

August 26

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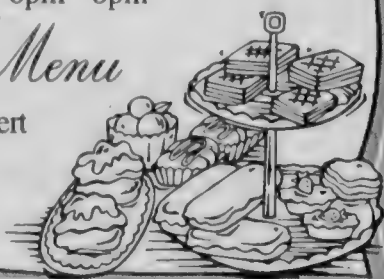
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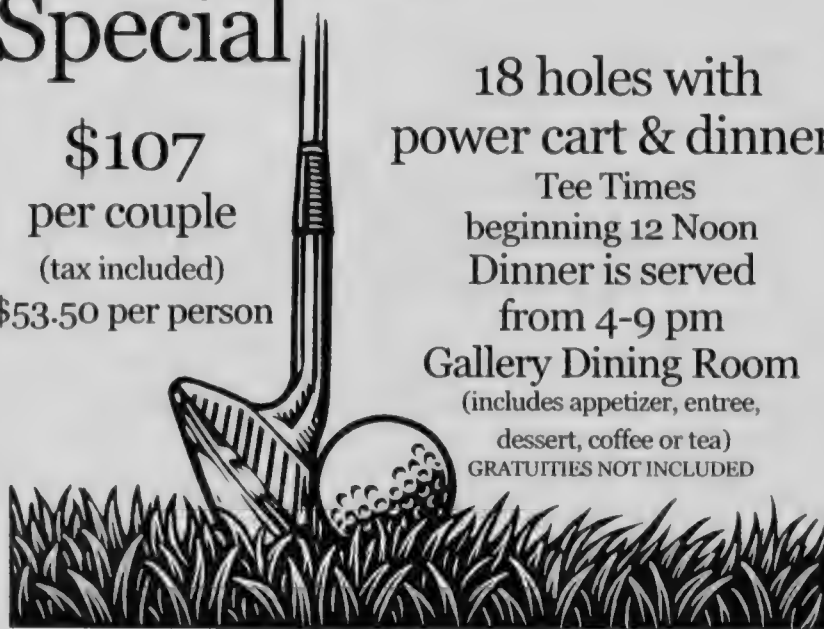
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Minden mural takes a light-hearted look Highlands cottage life

ERIK MARTENSSON

Staff Reporter

Four months of preparation and hard work came to a culmination on Saturday with the unveiling of Minden's latest mural. West Guilford native and artist Robert VanNood is the creator of the comical mural simply entitled the "The Cottage".

"It's a millennium celebration of cottage life in the Haliburton Highlands," explains VanNood. "A tribute to something so dear to us."

The mural is a humorous look at four seasons of outdoor activity typical to Haliburton County. While there is only one cottage, there are more than 80 characters taking part in a wide range of pursuits including boating, swimming, snowmobiling and ice fishing.

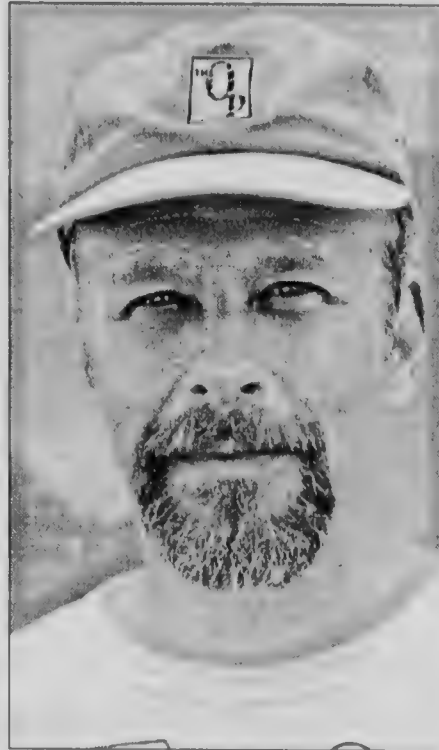
"Everything displayed here I enjoy myself," says VanNood.

Wildlife native to the Highlands is also represented. Everything from bears, skunks and raccoons are there, as well as the county favorite - mosquitoes.

VanNood says he sought to capture a true reflection of the entire diversity of the Highlands. He points out that the mural even subtly shows the geographic changes in the county from the escarpments of Redstone Lake to the flatter areas around Kinmount and Norland.

VanNood strove to make the mural look good from the road and to passerbys but he also wants to, "attract people into it" with a large amount of fine detail. While erecting the mural last week, VanNood was glad to hear a passerby remark, "Oh my God, you can see more and more the closer you get to it."

While he has painted a couple of murals in the past, VanNood says he has never done anything quite to this scale. The piece is 11 feet high and 87 feet long,



Robert VanNood

and occupies two walls of the Minden Beer Store. It took three months of actual painting, done indoors, to complete the 33 sheets of 4' x 8' panels that make up the mural.

"It's almost 1000 square feet," says VanNood.

VanNood laboured along with his assistants Lesley English and Dene Mottle, while Steve Soininen of SWS Services helped engineer the erecting of the mural onto the wall.

VanNood was hired earlier this year by the Minden Mural Committee to create "The Cottage".

"I heard about the program and called them up and ironically we were thinking of each other at the same time," says



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VanNood of the partnership with the committee.

VanNood says the timing of the project also worked out well as his summer, "is usually downtime".

VanNood is a commercial artist who has done work for a number of companies including Bombardier, Mercury Marine and Yamaha, as well as the Canadian and US Coast Guards. His projects have included posters, calendars, books, and even instructional manuals but usually the one similarity is his use of humour.

For this project VanNood says the hardest part was garnering sponsors and interest for the piece.

"It takes substantial funding to create a mural like this," says VanNood, explaining that almost \$1,000 worth of paint went into the work.

In the end VanNood and the Minden Mural Committee were able to convince the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron and Yamaha to sponsor the mural.

VanNood has had to face questions regarding the sponsors as both of them

are noticeably included in the mural. He says the mural is not an advertisement for them.

"The sponsors knew that this was not to be a billboard, it was to be a mural. They understood completely that this was the intent. The integrity of this had to be maintained."

VanNood says Yamaha was in fact a "natural fit" for the piece.

"The four seasons of fun worked well with Yamaha," says VanNood, noting the company has gear for the whole year.

As for accusations of the mural being too commercialized VanNood replies, "the reason for doing these murals is that we're trying to develop tourism. That's commercial in itself."

As part of their sponsorships, both Yamaha and the Canadian Power and Sail Squadron may use the piece promotionally, but VanNood will also be looking at creating some sort of printed version to possibly aid with fundraising for the Minden Mural Committee.

VanNood's next project is a calendar series for Mercury Marine.



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Minden council ponders boathouse**MARTHA PERKINS**

Editor

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the August 24 meeting of Anson, Hindon and Minden council.

When is a boathouse a boathouse, and when is it an accessory building?

Council wants a bit more time to come up with an answer.

It's received a request from a cottage owner who wants to build a boathouse 40 feet from shore; the boat would be pulled up by a winch. In the summer, it would be used to store his snowmobiles.

While council wants to encourage the construction of buildings beyond the shoreline, the building by-law defines a boathouse as something on the shore but not in any way jutting out into the water. The by-law does allow for accessory buildings, but these must be 100 feet back from the shore - or virtually in the cottage's back yard, where it's not as much good as a boathouse.

Both council and the planning advisory committee will review the by-laws before making a decision on the request.

Air quality test

The union representing municipal office workers is being granted its request to have air quality tested at the office.

Some staff have been complaining of headaches and difficulties with breathing.

Council has agreed to pay \$1,300 for testing that will focus primarily on the areas of the building most frequented. The tests will be broad-ranging and include monitoring of such things as moulds, carbon dioxide, air flow and ozone.

Funding application

If you have a chance to get some provincial funding for municipal projects, do you apply for part of the cost of a \$30,000 project knowing you're almost guaranteed to get the money, or take a chance and apply for part of the cost of a \$500,000 project, not knowing if you'll qualify or not?

That was the question facing council on Thursday night when it decided to roll the dice and try for the bigger financial jackpot.

Provincial funding for municipal projects is being made available through what's called OSTAR. It's like a SuperBuild fund for municipalities with fewer than 100,000 ratepayers.

Council knows it will very likely get partial funding for minor improvements of its water treatment plant.

The improvements, predicted to cost a maximum of \$30,000, are a way of cutting back on manpower costs on weekends.

Work to the town of Minden's sewage line is much more intensive. Tests done in the spring revealed that water is seeping into the line - no sewage is seeping out - and this is increasing the cost of treating the waste. If the line was sealed, it's estimated the municipality could reduce waste flows by half.

This project would cost \$500,000 but funding is more unpredictable.

Given the greater potential gain of funding for the sewage project, council decided to go for that option. It had to pass a motion saying it was the municipality's most pressing public health and safety concern.

Apology

Council was surprised and deeply gratified to get a letter of apology from the Ministry of Environment, which incorrectly told The Toronto Star that Minden's water treatment plant had failed to comply with the minimum sampling requirements.

"We can appreciate the concern that the municipality would have with the apparent implication stemming from this erroneous information," Brian Ward says in his letter of apology, which appears in full elsewhere in The Echo.

"It's an apology I never expected to get," says Deputy-reeve Jerry Rome. "The grief that (false report) caused me that weekend...."

"You've lived to see it all, haven't you," Reeve Jeanne Anthon told him.

West Nile Virus

Cases of the West Nile Virus, which is borne by mosquitoes, have been documented in New York. Mosquitoes are being monitored in Southern Ontario to find out if the virus has spread to Ontario. If it does, then the health unit has warned municipalities they may have to provide a map of all wetlands where mosquitoes can breed.

In this land of lakes, rivers and marshes, Councillor Grant Plooard laughingly said "we'd be better ahead if we had to document areas of dry land."

"It will be a tremendous burden on the municipality" if the work has to be done, Anthon noted.

Meeting changes

The council meetings of September 14 and October 12 have been switched from 10 in the morning to 7:30 at night.

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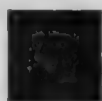
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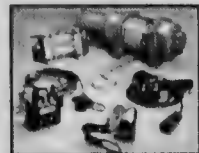
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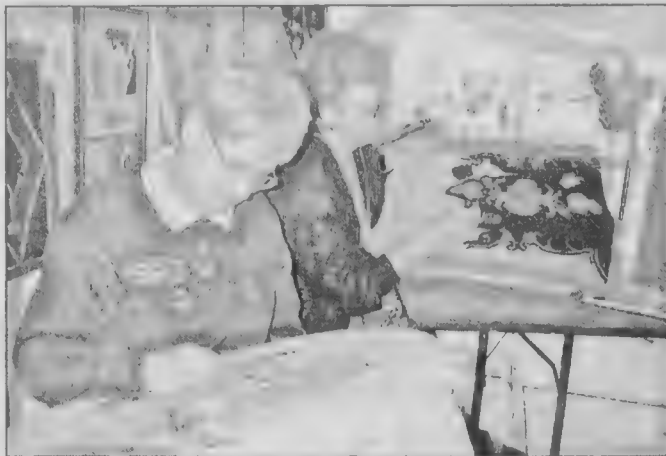


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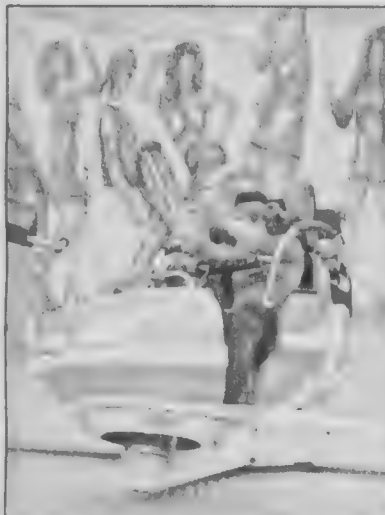
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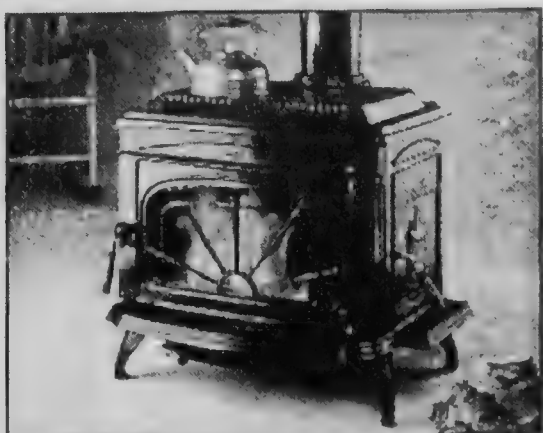
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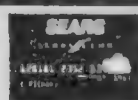


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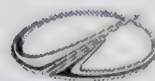
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In search of BULLFROGS

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AS ANOTHER SUMMER comes to a close in the Highlands, many residents and cottagers are noticing it has passed without the loud and familiar calls of jug o'rum, jug o'rum filling the evening air.

They are not alone in the observation that the deep and resonant voice of the bullfrog has not been heard from as often as it has been in the past. In fact, population levels of many species of amphibians seem to be diminishing around the globe.

"Amphibians across the world are in decline," says Tim Haxton, Amphibian and Fisheries Specialist for the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR). Decreases have been noted from Australia to Central America and also into Canada.

Haxton says the difficulty is that while it can be safely assumed that amphibian populations are certainly deteriorating, there isn't a lot of statistical corroboration to back it up. "The biggest problem with trying to prove the declines is that a lot of the data or information is anecdotal. It's not concrete or quantified."

In response, the MNR has created the Bullfrog Monitoring Project as a step towards providing that information. The project, which began this past spring, is attempting to determine the status of bullfrogs across south central and eastern Ontario and establish a baseline database on biological information for the province's bullfrogs.

"This is giving us an idea on the status of our resources," says Haxton, co-ordinator of the monitoring project.

As well, the project will attempt to establish indices on the status of bullfrog

populations and to compare the productivity of different populations across their range in Ontario.

"It's also partly to fulfill a commitment to commercial and personal harvesters in eastern Ontario to monitor the status of bullfrogs because there has been some changes in the regulations in the last few years," says Dana Kinsman, Minden Area Biologist for the MNR.

Previously, smaller studies had found that bullfrog numbers had declined and it was necessary to regulate the commercial harvest and sale of frogs for use as fishing bait in Ontario. It was also deemed necessary to put a moratorium on frog harvesting in many counties in Eastern Ontario. Haxton says as a result of the moratorium there is a concern that there may be a shift in pressure from

Eastern Ontario up to the areas where harvesting is still allowed. He hopes the monitoring project will also be able to determine if that is the case.

The summer-long monitoring project is studying significant wetlands in both South Central and Eastern Ontario but has also made several stops in Haliburton County.

Early in August, *The Echo* accompanied members of the Minden MNR along with a group of volunteers and Ecosystem Management Technologist Darwin Rosien, as they completed monitoring at Rusty Shoe Lake. The locale, just south of Gooderham, was chosen since the bullfrog population had been investigated by canoe in 1995 and provided an interesting comparison for up-to-date figures.

The monitoring project uses a large airboat piloted by Rosien to quickly collect bullfrogs from around the water's shore. The airboat is as loud as a jet plane but can maneuver its way over obstacles and through tough marshland, which other vessels cannot navigate. Its powerful lights scan the surface as two volunteers stand at the front corners of the boat with large nets and try to scoop up the bullfrogs. Once they are collected, the bullfrogs are brought to shore where they are identified, weighed, and measured before they are genetically tested and released back to the same area where they were taken.

Genetic testing involves removing about a millimeter of the middle toe on the hind flipper, which is then sent for evaluation. The toe clip does not hurt the frog and the removed piece of toe will naturally regenerate in about a year. The toe clip also helps the monitoring crew determine if a particular frog has already been tested to avoid duplication of results.

It was an unsuccessful evening at Rusty Shoe Lake as the search for bullfrogs had to be aborted after an hour due to a lack of bullfrogs.

"Five years ago 209 frogs were captured and this year four were captured," says Kinsman comparing the monitoring results. "They were two different methodologies but that certainly does not account for the difference at all by any stretch. But what has happened? Is it an environmental effect? Is it a harvesting effect? I haven't a clue."

With the exception of Nogies Creek,

See **Study** page 22



As part of the MNR's monitoring project, captured bullfrogs are identified, measured, weighed and genetically tested before being released back into the wild

Study hopes to answer why there are fewer frogs

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other testing sites around the county provided similar results.

"At Horseshoe Lake I think they caught 57 frogs five years ago and we caught 11."

Kinsman also notes cottagers in the area have told her they're not hearing as many frogs as in years past.

Asked why the results were so low, Rosien responds by saying conclusive reasons for the decline are still unknown.

"UV, climate related, harvesting, pollution, it's only speculation," he says, noting that due to its small size, Rusty Shoe Lake could have lost most of its native bullfrog population to harvesting alone.

Haxton says harvesting is one of the main causes of amphibian declines across Ontario.

"The uncontrolled commercial and personal harvest was one reason why they did go. Although commercial harvesters had to report what they caught, it didn't really restrict where they could catch and they just moved from one area to another. Population dynamics of bullfrogs are such that they can't rebound quickly if they are harvested heavily."

With the MNR's new commercial harvesting regulations in place, Haxton is hopeful that careful management will help protect frogs from further harvesting declines.

But he also blames the population decline on habitat destruction and alteration. It is assumed the loss of habitat is the one of the largest factors contributing to the decline in bullfrog populations, especially in South Western Ontario. As the wetlands that bullfrogs depend on for survival are developed, the population decreases significantly. The few remaining ponds are often left isolated and may

not be able to support amphibian populations for the long term.

Other explanations for the decline of amphibian populations are much the same worldwide.

Pollutants

Agricultural pesticides and herbicides have created deformities in bullfrog populations and also make it difficult for the frogs to breed. Petroleum and metal contaminants have the same effect. Acid rain acidifies lakes and ponds and as the eggs and larvae of amphibians are particularly sensitive they cannot survive.

UVB light

Decreased stratospheric ozone permits more UV radiation to reach the earth, causing an increase in skin can-

cers and cataracts. The UVB light also reduces the hatching success of amphibian eggs that are laid on the surface of the water.

Global Climate Change

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While it is too early to determine what the status of Ontario's bullfrogs is at present, Haxton is expecting some mixed results from the monitoring project.

"I know they had luck in a few different areas where they caught quite a few and in other areas they didn't get any where they expected to find some half decent populations."

Haxton hopes to have the results of the monitoring project processed by the fall.

The question is why should we care about the results? The MNR says the short answer is bullfrogs provide a direct benefit to humans. They eat large amounts of insects and are predators of both agricultural pests and biting insects. As well, they provide food for

fish, birds, and mammals. Bullfrogs are also important as indicators of environmental health. They can signify changes in both aquatic and terrestrial environments and because they breathe and drink through their skin, they may be more susceptible to pollution than other species and thus provide early warning signs of serious problems.



MNR Biologist Dana Kinsman and volunteer Michele Parrington examine one of the frogs captured at Rusty Shoe Lake

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Their colour varies from pale green to dark greenish brown, with a yellowish or whitish belly. Adult males have pale to bright yellow chins during the breeding season. Adult bullfrogs may reach up to 17 cm long and are the largest frogs in North America.

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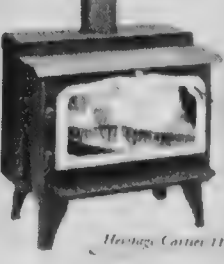
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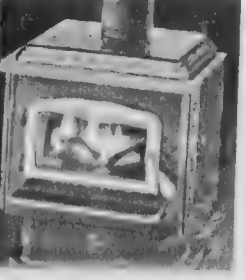
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Province provides additional funding for special education but board says it's not enough

Students needing special education assistance will receive \$500,000 in additional funding from the provincial government, Trillium Lakelands District School Board trustees learned at their meeting last week in Minden.

Warren Rosborough, superintendent in charge of special education, reported that the new money is a result of a Ministry of Education audit of special education needs throughout the district.

The information released on Tuesday provided details of the province's announcement of \$40-million in special education funding, made earlier this year.

"We're pleased that our students will

be receiving this support, but the money doesn't address all our concerns about special education funding," said Rosborough. "We had already anticipated and budgeted for most of this amount, so we're not really much further ahead."

In order to best meet the needs of its students, the board currently spends more than \$1.5-million above the amount allocated by the province for special education. Trustees say the new money does nothing to address that shortfall, meaning that the board must continue to take money from other areas to pay for special education.



OVER THE TOP

Cadet Ashley Leahy of #1129 Royal Canadian Army Cadet Corps of Haliburton makes it over the four metre cargo net obstacle on the confidence course at Connaught Army Cadet National Summer Training Centre, just west of Ottawa. Cadet Leahy, a grade eight student at JD Hodgson Elementary School, has completed the three week Basic Marksman course to improve her marksmanship and leadership skills.

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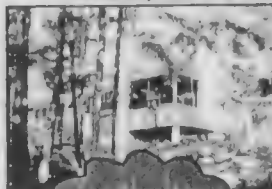
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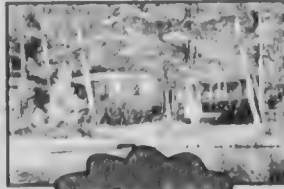
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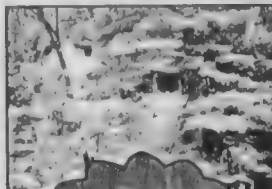
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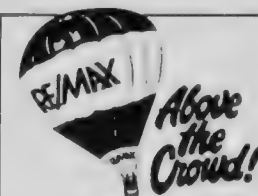
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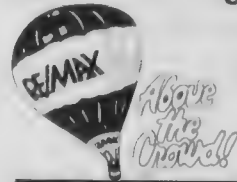


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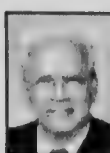
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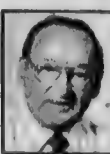
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Lake Kashagawigamog resident urges boaters to keep their eyes on the waves

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Joan Trott has a plea for boat drivers: when you're pulling a waterskier behind you, let the spotter do the spotting while you do the driving.

Trott and her husband suffered a near-miss last Monday morning while paddling their canoe on Lake Kashagawigamog. Because the lake was so quiet, they decided to paddle across the lake and back.

They were heading for home "when we saw this boat bearing down on us. We thought they'd see us but they just kept coming at a terrific speed."

The Trotts yelled and waved their paddles to try to capture the boat driver's attention but their efforts were in vain because the female driver was looking back at the waterskier the entire time.

"As the boat bore down on us, I couldn't see any faces - I was looking at the backs of their heads. I'll never forget it. It just terrified me,"

Mrs. Trott says.

Luckily, the boat did miss them, but Trott estimates it came within 10 feet of their canoe, making a dangerous situation even more dangerous given the strength of the boat's wake.

"We were a wreck by the time we got back to the house," says Trott, who's considering selling the cottage because "there's just too much of this going on on our lake."

She urges boaters to always be alert to what's ahead of them, even as the fun times of summer are behind them.

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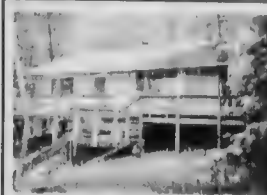
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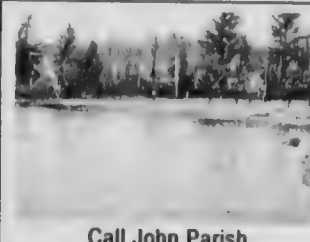
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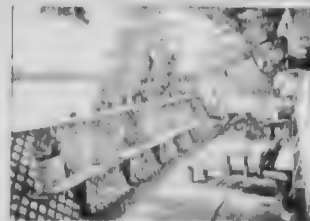
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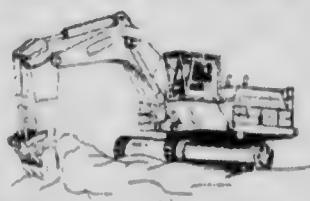
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Gypsy Moth population reduced

Wetter-than-normal summer weather has helped to drastically reduce the gypsy moth population over much of southern Ontario.

The Ministry of Natural Resources advises that the wet weather created ideal conditions for a virus and fungus, which kill gypsy moth larvae. Both the virus and fungus (*Entomophaga maimaiga*) occur naturally.

This season, the fungus in particular resulted in a much less severe defoliation of oak trees and other hardwoods than MNR originally anticipated. As a result, next year there should be minimal defoliation in areas where the fungus has decimated the local population of gypsy moths.

However, predicting the effects of the

fungus is difficult because it is weather-dependent but it appears to have the greatest impact on the gypsy moth population in wet summers, such as 1992 and 2000.

Defoliation by the gypsy moth occurs from June to early July.

The fungus introduced into Canada and the United States in the early 1990s in efforts to control the gypsy moth. It is a natural cause of death for gypsy moth larvae in their home range in Japan.

In 1999, the gypsy moth caused over 15,000 hectares of defoliation. The total number of hectares defoliated is expected to be much lower this year, when final figures are calculated in several weeks.



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Alzheimer's Society offers support

Organization provides an opportunity for caregivers to share their experiences with others

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Guilt. Frustration. Stress. And then some more guilt because you feel so frustrated and stressed.

Someone who is caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's can go through the emotional wringer each and every day. Yet often they feel they are alone – alone with their burdens and alone with their feelings.

A support group for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's hopes to change that. By providing the opportunity to get together with others who are experiencing the same challenges, the group lets caregivers share their feelings and find they're not so alone after all.

"It's a chance to vent and the group is very supportive," says Sandy May, a support group counsellor for the Peterborough Alzheimer's Society, which includes Haliburton County in its supportive embrace.

"If you don't get your feelings out, it will build up and then the caregiver will get ill... A lot of time, they don't even realize they're feeling so overwhelmed."

Guilt is one of the major burdens a caregiver feels.

"A lot of time," May says, "a caregiver won't look for help because they feel

guilty about not being able to do it all by themselves. A lot of times, too, they think they're the only ones who have this problem."

By talking to others and discovering that what they're feeling is not that unusual, the caregiver can feel better about reaching out for other types of help.

The group meetings also give the Alzheimer's Society the chance to let caregivers find out more about the disease and its repercussions in their lives.

May will be holding the regular meetings in Haliburton, Minden, Wilberforce and Cardiff.

Of course, trying to find a way to get to a support group meeting can add to the stress. Many Alzheimer's patients need constant supervision, making it difficult for the caregiver to get away to attend the support group meetings. If they are unable to fit the support group's schedule, then May can meet with them in their homes.

She'd like to increase the Alzheimer Society's presence in Haliburton County and encourages anyone caring for someone with Alzheimer's to contact her, toll free, about the support group and other programs. The number is 1-800-561-2588.

"I have big plans," she says with a smile.



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Sandy May of the Peterborough Alzheimer's Society would like to increase the organization's presence in the Highlands.

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Cooking wisely can protect against foodborne illnesses

Drinking contaminated water is not the only way to contract the deadly bacteria E coli strain of 0157:H7

While this summer's tragedy in Walkerton highlighted the devastation that can result from drinking contaminated water, some people are forgetting that E coli 0157:H7 can also be contracted by eating undercooked ground beef.

"Summer is a particularly dangerous time for cases of E coli 0157:H7 as more people are having barbecues and eating hamburgers," says Dr. Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit. "Unless that meat has been stored properly, cooked well and handled carefully, the person eating the meat is at risk for contracting foodborne E coli 0157:H7."

First documented almost 20 years ago, there are approximately 600 cases of E coli 0157:H7 infections reported in Ontario yearly. While the bacteria has been found in a variety of foods, illness is attributed most often to ground beef.

Dr. Hukowich says that people should be aware that ground beef is not subject to any required testing either at the wholesale or retail level.

To ensure safety, people must:

- wash hands before, during and after handling any type of food, especially raw meat.

- clean all utensils and work surfaces before and after use with detergent and hot water. A mild bleach solution can be used as an extra precaution.

- preheat the barbecue before cooking to ensure it reaches the temperature needed to fully cook meat.

- keep uncooked meats away from other foods and do not use the same plate or tray for uncooked and cooked meats.

- the USDA Food Safety Inspection Service and the 1997 FDA Food Code recommend cooking ground beef to an internal temperature of 68°C or 155°F for at least 15 to 16 seconds. Reliance on cooking until all pink colour is gone is not as reliable as using a meat thermometer.

- using pre-cooked frozen hamburger is a safer alternative to using fresh meat.

- eat food as soon as it is ready.

To learn more about safe cooking practices, residents can contact their local Health Unit office.

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- **Ontario Breast Cancer Screening Program** - Victoria County: For women 50 years and over, screening every Thursday at the Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. Call for an appointment, Mon. - Fri., (705) 328-6175.

- **Highland Sr. Citizens Club meet every Thursday**, at the Royal Canadian Legion at 12 o'clock. Price \$3.50 for lunch. All seniors welcome.

- **Daffodil Cancer Support Group**, Haliburton United Church: **Sept. 28, October 26, November 30 and December 28, 2:00 p.m.** Cancer patients and families reaching out to help others cope with this disease. Contact people are Jean Casey 457-1010 and Helen Cox 286-2224.

- **To Sept. 17:** Agnes Jamieson Gallery presents 'Happiness is Colour', a delightful collection of vibrant watercolours by local artist June Anderson. Main St. exit off #35 and over the bridge, Minden. Call 286-3763 for info.

- **Sept. 7: L.I.F.T. Ladies in Fellowship Together.** Speaker: Carol Hogg, feature: "Get Into Gear". West Guilford Recreation Centre, 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

- **Sept. 6: Wheels to Meals**, Kei's Haliburton, 12 noon, sponsored by Home Support, 457-2941.

- **Sept. 7: Grief Support Group for all bereaved**, 2 - 4 p.m. in Lindsay. For information call Palliative Care Victoria at (705) 324-2811.

- **Sept. 7:** The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care is pleased to bring our **Photo Health Card Clinic** to Minden Hospital on Thursday, Sept. 7 to replace missing/damaged/expired/incorrect Health Cards. By appointment only, call Oshawa (905) 434-3700 to book.

- **Sept. 7: Haliburton Highland Twirlers First Fall Dance**, beginning of the new season.

- **Sept. 9 - 23:** Christina Luck and Hans.-Hartwig Niemann and Wendy Melbye. Bass wood sculpture, pottery and encaustic abstract oil paintings, Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton. For info. call 457-2330.

- **Sept. 10: Sunday Supper Club**, 5 p.m., West Guilford Community Centre. Hymn sing to follow at 7 p.m. Everyone welcome. Call Nancy Brink, 457-2222 or 754-2516.

- **Sept. 10: Family Services Charity Golf Tournament** (2 women scramble) at Haliburton Highlands Golf Course. Call Family Services for details and to register, 457-5345. Proceeds to youth programs and activities.

- **Sept. 11:** Join Home Support at 1 p.m. for **Contract Bridge** in the Drop-in Centre, (705) 457-2941.

- **Sept. 12: Wheels to Meals**, Gooderham Community Centre, 12 noon, sponsored by Home Support, 457-2941.

- **Sept. 12: Toastmasters** - Learn speaking skills; come out and visit our club, 7:30 p.m., Health Unit, in Lindsay. For info. call Betty, 454-1591/Joyce, 324-2589. Speak up and get ahead.

- **Sept. 13: Wheels to Meals**, Rip's, West Guilford, 12 noon, sponsored by Home Support, 457-2941.

- **Sept. 14: The Haliburton Highlands Sr. Citizens Club** will meet at the Royal Canadian Legion on Thursday, September 14 at 12 o'clock. Pot luck.

- **Sept. 16 & 23:** Kinmount: two more "One Stroke Technique Folk Art" courses will be offered at the Kinmount Artisan's Marketplace. The first one, an 'Autumn Design Project' is on Sat., Sept. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The second one, a 'Roses project' is on Sat. Sept. 23 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The instructor, Lori Raymond, will supply all materials. Please call the Marketplace at 488-1414 or Patt at 488-2938 to inquire.

- **Sept. 16 - Oct. 14:** Louise Cass - watercolour, oils and woodcuts, Rails' End Gallery, Haliburton. For info. call 457-2330.

- **Sept. 16: Outdoor Dance Party**, Stanhope Park, "Ya Baby's" live music, corn roast, beef on a bun, 8:30 p.m. \$25/couple, \$15/single, limited tickets. Call (705) 489-2379. Proceeds to community projects.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editorial@haliburtonecho.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Echo for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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Wilberforce	11:30am &	448-3380

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DONNERY GRADUATION

Cara Donnery, daughter of Bill and Janet Donnery of Lochlin, recently graduated with distinction from McMaster University, receiving an Honour Bachelor of Arts and Science degree. She will be returning to McMaster this fall to study medicine.

Seniors' Club welcomes new members as it gears up for another season

President Elsie Lewis of the Monmouth Seniors' Club invites seniors to be part of this group by attending its first meeting of the new season. It will be a pot luck luncheon at noon on Tuesday, September 12 at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce. New members are welcome – just come out any Tuesday at 12 noon.

The book/yard sale at the Monmouth Library on Labour Day Saturday had many "shop-pers", in spite of the cool temperatures and threat of rain. Donna Atkinson and Bessie Croft thank all donors, helpers and those who made purchases. Coffee was good too!

The Loop Troupe will meet this Wednesday, September 6, at 7:00, to make plans for the next production. People interested in "little theatre" are welcome to become involved. Just show up at the Lloyd Watson Centre or call Danny Linkert, 448-2708.

This has been an exciting year for the Wilberforce Heritage Guild. The Outpost Museum, though officially closed for the season, is available for tours. WH Guild members are willing to take people through. Just call Hilda, 448-2018, or Cathy, 448-2211, and arrangements will be made for your visit. The publication of Mustard Plasters and Handcars" by Gertrude LeRoy Miller was a

major accomplishment and the Guild and the community in general are delighted with its positive reception. It is available at Agnew's Store and at local book stores. A friend in Burlington spotted it in their Chapters' store. It has brought people to visit the Outpost Museum to see the place in which the book was set. Noticed that Bill Seaton of Mississauga had visited along with Bill and Jack Speke, sons of Doctor Speke, a former Haliburton doctor often mentioned in Gert's book. Many nurses have paid delighted visits as well. The Echo's recent publication in County Life of the two-page story by Dr. J. Bruce Frain about his father Dr. Charles E. Frain's life, particularly his years of practice in Haliburton County, was a good piece on local history. It came as a result of the

many references to Dr. Frain in Gert's book. Best wishes to Marion Clark for a speedy recovery from hip replacement surgery.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Earle Haslam and his family on the death of his wife Ruth Haslam. They had returned to the area and were members of the Monmouth Seniors' Club. Service was held in Cambridge, Ontario. Interment was in Wilberforce Cemetery.

community news —
wilberforce
Hilda Clark
448-2018

MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF PETERBOROUGH

CLERK'S NOTICE OF POSTING OF PRELIMINARY LIST OF ELECTORS, The Municipal Election Act, 1996, as amended, Section 23.

NOTICE is hereby given that we, the Clerks for the Municipalities in the County of Peterborough have complied with Section 23 of the Municipal Elections Act 1996, as amended. We shall have posted up in our respective offices on the 1st day of September, 2000, the list of persons eligible to vote in the municipality at the municipal elections and the list remains there for inspection.

AND we hereby call upon all such electors to examine the list and to take immediate proceedings to have any errors or omissions corrected according to law.

THE LAST DAY for filing applications to add or remove your own name is Monday, November 13, 2000 at 8:00 p.m.

The place at which the revisions of the list will be taken is the Municipal Office in the municipality for which you are eligible to vote.

Revisions of the list will be undertaken during normal office hours Tuesday, September 5th, 2000 to Monday, November 13th, 2000 and at the Voting Station until close of voting place.

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS

A person is entitled to be an elector at an election held in a municipality, unless prohibited by this Act or any other Act, if he or she,
— at any time during the qualification period,
- resides in the local municipality, or
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— on voting day
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DATED THIS 5TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2000.

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NOTICES



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Resumes can also be forwarded electronically by email to brice@county.haliburton.on.ca

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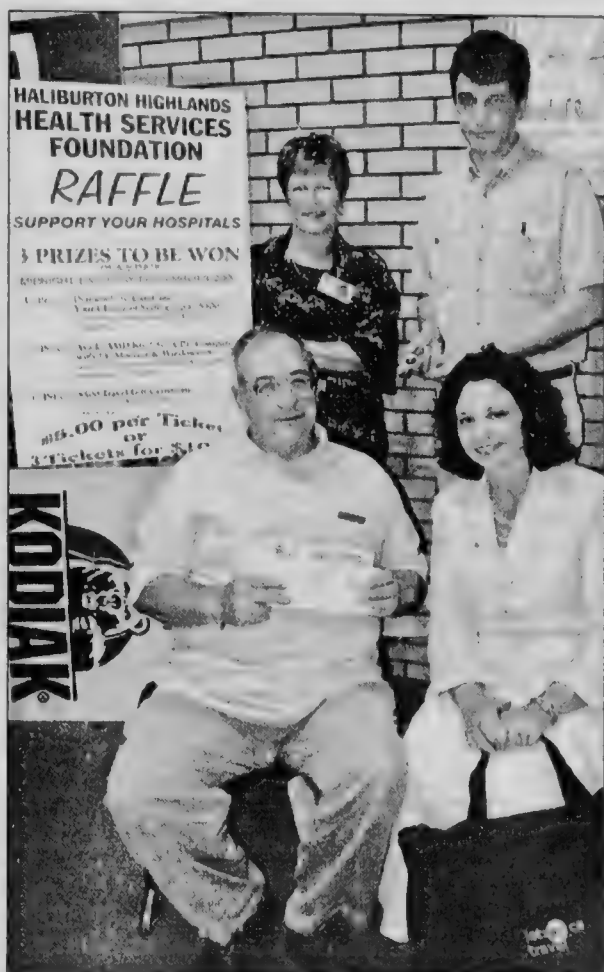
Dale Walker (top left) says there's still time to get your tickets for the Haliburton Health Services Foundation Raffle draw to be held at the stroke of midnight at the Foundation's Gala on September 9.

Several fantastic prizes are up for grabs.

Mike Varty (top right) of Varty Jewellery and Gifts has donated a 0.30 carat diamond with your choice of setting.

Linda Coneybeare (bottom right) and Let's Go Travel (formerly Marlin Travel) have donated a \$500 travel gift certificate to anywhere in the world.

Absent from the picture was Mike Stephens of Systems Software and Support who have donated an Avado AMD K6-2 500 CPU Computer with a 15" Monitor and Windows 98. Tickets are available from "Super Ticket Seller" Bill Hartin (bottom left) who has already sold over \$5,000 worth of tickets.



ERIK MARTENSSON/ECHO

Community celebrates wedding of local couple

Merrie and Merrill Barry's daughter, Terry-Lynn, and Kirk Holden, son of Audrey and Brian Holden, were married on August 12, 2000 at the Haliburton United Church.

Their many friends and relatives also attended the reception at the Legion hall in Haliburton in the evening. Some were able to join them for the relatively recent custom of opening the gifts the next day at the house of the bride's parents.

Best wishes of the community to Kirk and Terry-Lynn.

Jean (Mrs. Rod) Henderson is leaving Guilford to move into Parklane apart-

ments. We trust she will find her new place entirely satisfactory.

Ted and Pat Rosseter of Alabama were guests with Sid and Louise Cooper lately. Ted and Louise's mother, Wynn Rosseter, is at present in the North Bay hospital with injuries from a fall, and Louise has been making visits to North Bay recently on this account.

A stag party was held at the Centre here for Dan Chumbley on Friday, September 1, a chance for friends to wish him well in his coming marriage to Cathy Davis.

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Eleanor Cooper
754-2388



WINTER MAINTENANCE Request for Quotations

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) is inviting quotations for snow removal at the Haliburton and Minden sites.

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Quotation due by September 15, 2000.

THE TOWNSHIP OF GALWAY-CAVENDISH AND HARVEY

TENDER CALL

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Additional details, specifications and requirements are available under separate cover, along with Township Tender Forms which MUST be used, as well as copies of the plans, at the Township Building Office.

Sealed Tenders clearly marked "Galway Hall Addition" must be received by the undersigned not later than **4:30 PM, Tuesday, September 19, 2000**. Tenders received after the closing time and date will be returned unopened.

Lowest or any Tender will not necessarily be accepted.

In the event only one bid is received, the Corporation of the Township of Galway-Cavendish and Harvey reserves the right to either accept or refuse it. Bidder agrees to save the Municipality harmless of any compensation if the Tender is cancelled.

Inspection of the Galway Hall site is recommended and the Hall will be open for such inspection on Tuesday, September 12 and Wednesday, September 13, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 AM and 3:00 PM on each day.

Further information may be obtained from the undersigned.

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The Corporation of the Township of Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale PUBLIC NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the municipal Corporation of the Township of Sherborne, McClintock, Livingstone, Lawrence and Nightingale proposes to enact a By-Law to stop up, closer and sell that part of the original shore road allowance set out and described as follows:

FIRSTLY: Township of Sherborne, County of Haliburton, being part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lots 17 and 18, Concession A, Township of Sherborne, designated as Parts 5 and 6 on Plan 19R-4525; and

SECONDLY: Township of Sherborne, County of Haliburton, being part of Lots 17 and 18, Concession A, Township of Sherborne, designated as Part 13 on Plan 19R-4525.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Council Chambers, Municipal Building, Main Street, Dorset, Ontario, on the 11th day of September, 2000, at the hour of eight-thirty a.m. and at that time the Council will hear any person or by his Counsel, Solicitor or Agent any person who claims that his land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

DATED: August 10th, 2000

Diane J. Griffin, Clerk-Treasurer,
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701 COMING EVENTS

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Come help us celebrate this historic event of the history of the Corporation of the Municipality of Cardiff from the beginning to the ending - 1862 to 2000.
WHERE: Old School House #1, located on Highway #28 beside the Cardiff Fire Hall Station #2.
WHEN: September 16, 2000.
TIME: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Opening ceremonies will be at 1:00 p.m.
Plaque Dedication will be held at 2:00 p.m.
Cardiff Township Historical Booklet will be available.
Light refreshments will be served.
Come out and greet past and present Reeves, Councillors, and Staff Members.
Greet some old friends and meet some new friends.
For more information, call Linda Mumford at the Cardiff Municipal Office at 705-448-1500

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The Ladies Auxiliary, Branch 129, Royal Canadian Legion invite you to
A WAR BRIDES LUNCHEON
to be held
Tuesday, September 26, 2000, at 1:00 p.m.
at the Haliburton Legion Hall
Cost of luncheon - \$8 per person
This is being hosted in conjunction with a visit from the Sudbury Warbrides Association
Please R.S.V.P.
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P.S. You won't find any perfect people at Lakeside, just ordinary people seeking after God's love and grace.
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701 COMING EVENTS

MADILL REUNION
Saturday, Sept. 23, 2000
Gooderham Community Centre
12:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Pot Luck Dinner at 4:00 p.m.
\$5.00 per family to cover expenses
Info. call Barbara at (705) 457-3358
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704 ANNOUNCEMENTS



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NAME THE NEW MUNICIPALITY
This is your OPPORTUNITY!
The Transition Board of the TOWNSHIPS OF SNOWDON, LUTTERWORTH, ANSON, HINDON AND MINDEN invites YOU to help THEM in selecting the name of the new amalgamated Municipality. Names submitted in the "NAME THE NEW MUNICIPALITY CONTEST" will be available for Public consideration on September 7, 2000 at 6:30 p.m., at the Anson, Hindon and Minden Council Chambers, 7 Mine Street, Minden, Ontario.
The Transition Board thanks the Public for their anticipated participation in this process; however, the Board reserves the right to make the final selection.

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Saturday, Sept. 9, 2000 at 8:00 p.m.
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706 BIRTHDAYS

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OPEN HOUSE
for
WES SISSON
on his 80th birthday
Saturday, Sept. 16, 2000
at Minden Curling Club
from 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Best wishes only!

707 BIRTHS

KARAGUESIAN/BALLANTYNE:
Jessica Karaguesian is pleased to announce the arrival of her sister,
Claire José Ruth Karaguesian a.k.a. 'caribou'
Proud parents, Greg Karaguesian and Nancy Ballantyne, would like to thank family, friends and colleagues for their wonderful support.

708 OBITUARIES

ANDREWS, DOUGLAS (Resident of Gooderham, Ontario): In Haliburton on Thursday, August 31, 2000, beloved husband of the late Edith Andrews, loving father of Linda (Wayne Hugli) of Sudbury, Susan (Rae Brown) of Orangeville and Rick (Kathie) of Newmarket. Dear brother of Lori Ward. Loving grandfather of Christopher, Ryan, Sean (Tricia), Chad, Brad and Mark. Also, lovingly remembered by his great grandchildren Brodie, Owen and Griffin, and niece Lisa Ward. Friends were invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209, on Sunday, September 3, 2000, 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the Chapel on Monday morning, September 4, 2000 at 11 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) would be appreciated by the family.

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BEVERLY AUSTIN SPARKS (Veteran of W.W. II): Died peacefully at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, on August 22, 2000, age 87 years. Bev's spirit will live on in the hearts of his many friends in Haliburton. After the death of his beloved wife, Ethel, Bev bravely went on for twelve years to serve those in need, to help friends, and to be an active part of the Haliburton and Stanhope communities. Work for Extendercare and the Cancer Society gave Bev great satisfaction. In memory of Bev, the road he lived on for over 20 years, and did so much for, will be name Sparks Lane. Good-bye, dear friend. You will be remembered. Dave, Sherrill, Robbie, and Ryan Sherwood; Norman and Jeanette Bratton-Ellis; Bill, Julie and baby Wayne Freeman; Marg and Jim Del Greco.

PERRIN, JAMES ALBERT: At Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Thursday, August 31, 2000, in his 79th year Beloved husband of the late Evelyn Perrin, loving father of Ronald (Barb) Perrin, Haliburton, Donna (Ronald) Dawson, Winnipeg, Man., and James (Pam) Perrin Jr. of Langley, B.C. Predeceased by sister Margurite Bailey. Fondly remembered by his sister Patricia (Bruce) Fearrey, and brother Donald (Doreen) Perrin, his six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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GREGOIRE, MILTON ERNEST: At Haliburton Hospital on Thursday, August 31, 2000. Beloved husband of the late Kathleen Wyllie. Loving father of Ernie (Adora) Gregoire of Mississauga. Fondly remembered by his granddaughter Vanessa. Dear brother of Jane Little of South Carolina, USA, Muriel (Mrs. Harry Walker) of Niagara Falls. Predeceased by brother Vernon. Also fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME, Hwy. #118, Haliburton (705) 457-9209. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. **CA**

709 IN MEMORIAM

STALKER, YVONNE M. (Sept. 7, 1999) - In loving memory of a dear wife and mother. Wishing today like so many times before, God had granted you a few years more. In our hearts you will always be, To love and cherish but not to see. Love you, **Ken and family.**

710 LEGAL/PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THE LATE KURT GRAF

All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of KURT GRAF, late, of the Village of Eagle Lake, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 4th day of March, 2000, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 26th day of September, 2000.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Executor/Administrator of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

DATED at Haliburton, Ontario this 5th day of September, 2000. **RAYMOND G. SELBIE**, Barrister, Solicitor, P.O. Box 186, Haliburton, Ont. K0M 1S0. **CA**

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IN APPRECIATION: The family of the late John L. O'Connor would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our friends for their support and condolences. A special note of appreciation to the staff at Extendicare for their gentle kindness shown to our mother June during this time; to the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for their professional, compassionate care; to St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, Father John, the ladies of the Auxiliary and the talented musicians for a memorable service. "You were always there when we needed you, No task too great or too small, With a loving heart and a willing hand, For us you did them all. Thanks for the years you gave us, And for the precious times we shared, We know that when you left us, You knew how much we cared. God saw you getting tired, When a cure was not to be, He put His arms around you, And said "Come John and be with me." Forever loved and in our memories, **your wife of 53 years, June; children Linda (John) Beachli, John (Nicole), Peg Holt, Jim (Beryl), Basil (Darlene); grandchildren Derek (Debra), Dalton, Ursula (Barry), Keenan, Sheena, Kelsey, Melissa, Jake (Kelly), Becky; great grandchildren Madison and Evelyn.** **CA**

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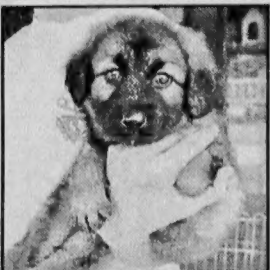
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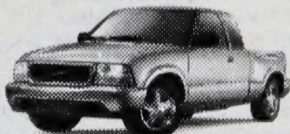


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